

First Aid

The seniors have worked hard to learn first aid. We know what to do in an emergency situation.



Weaving Looms

We are preparing looms for the weaving we will be doing next term. We have made 21 looms in one day. That's 3500 nails! Thank you John Fryday and helpers Bex and Jamie.

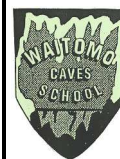


What's Coming Up At Waitomo Caves School

30 July	NPC Rugby Game, Waitomo Domain
1 August	Term 3 begins
1 August	Weaving session, 1.30pm
8 August	Kick-Start Classes resume
17 August	Small Schools Cross Country
24 August	COP's Cross Country
9 September	Waikato Percussion Festival

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HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY!



Newsletter

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Term Two 2011

Week Eleven – 15 July

Dear Parents and Friends of the School

Tena Koutou Katoa

We have officially completed two eleven week terms and are all due for a well deserved break. The next two terms will bring a busy programme with lots of activities planned such as cross country, athletics, pet's day and more.

We have two new entrants that have started school this week. Special welcome to Qaiyaan Hughes and Tipene Trent. Thank you to Mitch and Pania Hughes and Stephen Trent for your continued support.

Heather Pease

We are very fortunate to have wonderful teachers here at Waitomo. This week we farewell Heather as she moves on to new adventures. Heather has been teaching here since 2008 and will be missed by children, staff and parents. We have all enjoyed her teaching style, expertise, many talents and great sense of humour. All the best with your new endeavours.

Mid-Year School Reports

All students were given their Mid-Year School Reports this week. The report comments and grades are based on assessment data used to monitor your child's progress and achievement so far. We have reported



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your child's progress against the National Standards and the expectations at their Year Level. We all know that children do not achieve at the same time, age, or year level. Learning and achieving for some children can be a slow process, while others need more stimulation and challenges. Thank you to those who were available to discuss your child's report comments with their teachers and written feedback on the pink forms was also appreciated. Regarding attendance percentages in reports, the Ministry of Education target is 94%.

Snow Camp

The snow has finally arrived, and there's plenty of it. All we need now is calmer weather so we can enjoy it. Thank you for your patience regarding rescheduling of camp. There will be a snow camp, just how that pans out is yet to be confirmed. Accommodation options are limited as bookings for the season are fairly full. At this stage we will try to reschedule for September. We will keep you informed as soon as plans come together.

Soccer

Congratulations and well done to all our soccer players this season. Thank you coaches Miria, Gareth, Myke, Steve and Julian for your expertise and thank you parents for transporting and supporting the players.

Tomorrow is the Closing Day Tournament for all teams starting at 9.00am with a briefing. All players need to be at the domain by 9.00am, please be there on time. Draws and the field layout will be available in the morning. All teams will play up to four games. A prizegiving will be held at the completion of the day around 12.45pm for 8th to 13th grade teams.

Weaving

We would like to encourage and welcome parents to join in with our weaving focus next term. The first introductory session will be on Monday 1 August at 1.30pm. This is the first day back for Term 3, please come along if you can. It would be a great learning experience for the children to have parents and adults learning along side them.

Chippie Wood

Chippie wood is great for starting your winter fires. The school is selling decent size boxes of chippie wood for \$5.00.

Fundraising

There will be a fundraising meeting for committee members and anyone else who is interested in the first week of Term 3. Thursday 4 August at 3.10pm, see you then.

College Visitor

Mrs Donna Russell, Senior Manager & Student Well-being, at Otorohanga College would like the opportunity to visit our school during the first two weeks of Term 3. The visit is once again aimed at Year 8 students and parents, but of course, is open to anyone wishing to attend. The date and time will be confirmed asap.

Kick-Start Classes

Kick-Start to School Classes resume on Monday 8 August. We look forward to welcoming a new group of preschoolers to join Reuben, Lincoln and Katie.

NPC King Country Rugby

If anyone is interested in watching the King Country rugby team play a pre-season game, come along to the Waitomo Domain on Saturday 30 July. King Country plays Thames Valley kicking off at 2.30pm.

Community News

Wanted: Rugby Boots Arts Waikato needs your pre-loved rugby boots (any size and any condition). The education advisors are creating a sculpture to sit alongside the student exhibition "Having a Ball", opening on August 16th at Waikato Museum and running through until October 20th. Please drop them off at Arts Waikato, 332 Peachgrove Rd Hamilton, anytime before August 2nd.

Football Holiday Programme When: 27th and 28th July 2011, Where: Te Kuiti High School, Time: 9am-3pm, Who: Players of all abilities aged 7-11 years old
Cost: \$30 per day.

Children's Work

Marimbas

Music lessons offer even more excitement with our new marimbas. What a beautiful sound they make, watch us go!



Elijah, Thomas, Seth



Siân, Max and Lennox